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**IN THE UNITED STATES  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Invention: **Suet Bird Feeder System** )  
Serial No.: **10/615,890** )  
Filed: **7/8/2003** )  
1<sup>ST</sup> Inventor: **Ries, Gregory** )  
Examiner: **Shaw, Elizabeth** )  
Group Art Unit: **3644** )  
Attorney: **Michael S. Neustel** )

To: **MAIL STOP FEE AMENDMENT**  
**Commissioner of Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

**APPLICANT'S RESPONSE TO**  
**FIRST OFFICE ACTION DATED FEBRUARY 11, 2004**

Dear Sir:

**A. POWER OF ATTORNEY**

The Applicant has executed and has attached a Power of Attorney Assignment for the present invention application assigning a Power of Attorney to:

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**B. PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))**

1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total of Two (2) Months to file an Amendment and Response to the outstanding Office Action dated February 11, 2004. The granting of this extension will extend the response time until July 12, 2004.
2. Applicant is a small entity that has already been asserted by the Applicant.
3. Calculation of the extension fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d)):

<u>Extension Time</u>	<u>Fee (Large Entity)</u>	<u>Fee (Small Entity)</u>
[X] Two Months	\$420.00	<b>\$210.00</b>

4. A check in the appropriate amount has been included with this response. Please charge any insufficiency of fee, or credit any excess, to **Deposit Account No. 501248**.

**C. AMENDMENT OF APPLICATION**

Responsive to the Official Action mailed **February 11, 2004**, please amend the application as follows:



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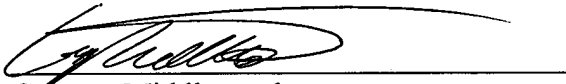
Attorney's Docket No. RIES-001

### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with proper postage as First Class mail in an envelope addressed to:

**Mail Stop Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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On July 12, 2004.

  
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